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In re Application of:)
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Tomonori KAWAKAMI et al.) Confirmation No.: 7992
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For: NANOPARTICLE PRODUCTION)
METHOD AND PRODUCTION)
DEVICE AND NANOPARTICLE)
PRESERVATION METHOD)

Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Customer Window, Mail Stop Amendment
Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In an Office Action dated March 7, 2008, the period for response to which runs through April 7, 2008, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between Group I (claims 1-7) allegedly drawn to “a nanoparticle production method and apparatus” or Group II (claim 8), allegedly drawn to “a nanoparticle preservation method.”

Applicants hereby elect Group II (claim 8) for examination.

Applicants respectfully request formal examination of this application.

Applicants respectfully assert that no additional fee is due in connection with the filing of this response. However, if there are any additional fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge those fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0573.

Respectfully submitted,

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